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Serial Nos.

Part B for February 1928.

SUBJECT

Re Conversion of temple inams, to Sircar by the grant of cash inams.

G.O. No 1252-3 dated 2.2.28.

To the Mys. Comr & Supdt. R.S. &c.

No general orders re the replacement of ~~cash~~ land inams by cash grants ~~to be considered~~ be passed. Mo desirable and the cases of this kind submitted for orders.

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Office of the Financial Secretary to the Government of Mysore,

Dated, Bangalore, 18th November 26

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MEMO.

MUZRAI
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With reference to subject No.? discussed at the last meeting of Deputy Commissioners and certain Heads of Departments at Mysore in October 1926, a note may be put up in re- the conversion of Temple Inams to Pie rly the grant of Cash Inams. Also a draft to the Muzrai Commissioner for instituting the necessary investigation and submitting proposals for consideration by Government.

To Under Secretary
Muzrai [illegible].

18/11/26.

2 Dft. submitted as desired
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3 Under Secy

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2.	To. Mr. Comrs. No. 11 45 Dt. 15.12.26 calls for proposals on the subject
3.	From, The Insp. Comr. Letter no. C. 920 Dt. 9.12.27 Submits further report called for in the above.

The Insp. C. reports that in matters connected with the conversion of Temple Inams to Sirkar by the grant of cash inams, considerable respect has to be paid to sentiment and that a measure involving the wholesale conversion of inam lands even though the result may be favorable to the inmts concerned by securing to them a better income, is likely to be most unpopular. He is of opinion that each case has to be examined with ref. to the points indicated in para 6 of the Comrs. order dispensed, and solicits further instructions in the matter.

The Survey Supdt. is of opinion that "the confirmation of land inams in these cases is in accordance with the terms of the Sanads which do not seem to contemplate a fixed

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other than that of Land[s]

Submitted for orders.

21.12.27. The framing of the Bill Committee and the survey staff are both in favour of the proposed conversion of land leases into cash grants. As the Hon'ble Land[s] Says, each case has to be decided on its own merits and the M.C. has in para 5(d) of his letter under disposal mentions certain points with reference to which the cases should be examined. The letter also explains granting leases for over 5 years which according to the new Religious & Charitable Institutions Regulation should receive the sanction of Govt., the [illegible] proposed leases to be [illegible]. The proposal of the M.C may be approved.

The M.C may perhaps be replied that Govt. agree with him in his views.

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After this general question is disposed of, Each case of proposed conversion could be taken up & considered on its own merits.

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10. This is an important question and the Revenue Commissioner, the Superintendent, Revenue Survey & Settlements, and all the Deputy Commissioners have expressed their opinions about it.

11. Excepting the Deputy Commissioner of Mysore, none of the other officers is in favo of a wholesale conversion of devadeya land inams into cash tasdik grants. The Revenue Commissioner and the Deputy Commissioner of Kadur consider that such conversion in the ca of village Puzrai institutions should not, as general rule, be permitted. The Deputy Commissioners of the remaining six districts are decidedly against the suggestion. The Superintendent, Revenue Survey & Settlements, hold that the measure is neither feasible nor desirable and that if undertaken, may even involve additional expenditure to be borne by Government.

12. A general measure of conversion on the lines suggested is unlikely to prove an unmixed good either to Government or to the institutions concerned. For one thing, it will not be easy to fix, as a general arrangement, the cash grants to be allowed in lieu of revenued inam lands

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lands. Such grants if adopted, would be fixed for all time and the arrangement may not, in many cases, work to the advantage of institutions which, if left in the enjoyment of land inams, might expect to cover their increased scale of expenditure from enhanced prices of produce or larger gullà amounts. Sentiment is also involved in the consideration of this question and a general measure of conversion is not also likely to be popular. In view of all these facts, it is not desirable to make any ~~general~~ innovation in the existing system.

13 Where, in the circumstances of particular cases, the replacement of land inams by cash grants is considered desirable conversion may be considered as suggested by the Revenue Commissioner and cases of this kind may be submitted for the orders of Government.

14 The Revenue Commissioner's suggestion that in cases of the kind mentioned by him, the period of leasing out of lands of 'uzrai institutions ~~should~~ might be longer than five years, may also be accepted.

15 The case may be submitted to the Gov

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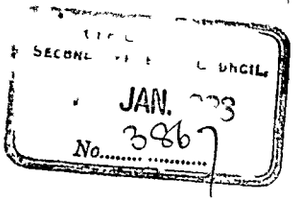

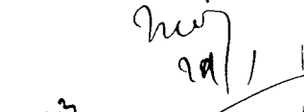

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File No. 179-26

Serial No 2

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

No. 11465

To

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Sir,

Date of issue 18/12/26

Signed by Mr Du V Gunasena

I am directed to invite reference to Subject no. 28 discussed at the last meeting of Dy. Comrs and certain Heads of Departments at myson in october 1926 in the matter of the conversion to Sinkar of certain Devadaya income lands endowed to certain Muzrai institutions in the myore Dist, and grant of cash inams instead, and to request that you will be

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So far as to institute
the necessary investigation
in the matter, and submit
proposals for consideration
by Govt

I have etc

Sd/- for Asst. Secretary

Sd/-
22/11/25

No. C 920/26-27 Office of the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.
One of one file

Dated Bangalore, 8th December 1927.

From

FINANCIAL SECRETARY
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P. G. D'Souza, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore,
Bangalore.

Muz 179-26-3

To

P. Srinivasa Iyengar, Esq., P.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore
Financial Department.

Sir,

With reference to correspondence ending with your letter No. 1411/M.F.5-26-6 dated 3rd February 1927 on the matter of the ------ conversion to Sirkar of certain Devadaya inam lands enjoyed by Muzrai institutions and grant of cash inams instead, I have the honor to -- state that the subject being one of importance and far-reaching ---- consequences, the views of the Deputy Commissioners of Districts and the Survey Superintendent were invited. The replies received from them are submitted in original together a precis of their opinion. Except the Deputy Commissioner of the Kadur District, the other ---- officers are not in favour of the proposal.

2. It seems to me that such matters considerable respect has to be paid to sentiment. A measure involving the wholesale conversion of inam lands even though the result may be favourable to the institutions concerned by securing to them a better income is likely to be most unpopular. But it cannot be denied that the present system of leasing temple lands is most unsatisfactory and not a single --- institution is able to derive its legitimate income.

3. In the case of village institutions the existing practice of allowing the archaks to enjoy the lands and perform the service ---- providing other incidental expenses should be continued.

4. In regard to whole inam villages though the work in same involves considerable difficulty and trouble, it is not to deprive the institutions concerned of the prestige which

possession of such inams implies apart from the monetary considerati

5. In regard to other cases, I am in favour of allowing conversions on a fairly liberal scale but it is not desirable to adopt any invariable rules. Each case has to be decided on its merits. In the Malanad - districts where the nature of the landis such that people are not --- likely to take them up for cultivation as no one can enjoy sufficient -- profit from garden cultivation under the rigid rules now in force in -- regard to leases, if it is worth while selling them, necessary action may be taken. At any rate power should be reserved to determine the period of the lease with reference to the nature of the land, the -- rent offered and the extent to which the rent offered allows for the - natural increment that accrues to the rent under Ricardo's law.

6. I am therefore of opinion that each case has to be examined with reference to the following points.

(a) what is the correct value of the land under present conditions and what percentage does the rent paid or realized in auction represents? If better income is likely to be derived by selling the land outright and investing the money, it may be desirable to adopt this course.

(b) If it is possible to arrange terms by private negotiation --- which will secure a return of at least 50% more than the average ----- realized for the past 10 years, longer leases than 5 years may be ---- allowed.

(c) In order to give sufficient inducement to carry on improvements in proper cases, local officers should have discretion to extend the - period of leases so as to enable persons willing to spend money on --- improvements to derive a suitable return from such investment.

(d) When persons have been in possession of land for periods exceeding 12 years, as far as possible, they should not be disturbed provided they do not set up any adverse titles and are prepared to agree to a -- reasonable enhancement of the rent.

7. I solicit the favour of further instructions in the matter.

8. As regards the three cases now under consideration, viz.,

(i) Sri Chamarajeswaraswami temple at Chamarajnagar.

(ii) Sri Venugopalaswami temple at Katwadipur.

(iii) Sri Chandramouleswaraswami temple at Siddalingapur,

Deputy Commissioner of the Mysore District, has made a furth

further report as follows:--

(i) That the Dharmadarsis of the Chamarajnagar Temple have ----- resolved that it is inadvisable to convert the inam villages into Sircar and grant a cash tasdik and that they do not agree to the proposal.

(ii) That as Dharmadarsis have not been appointed to the Katwadipur Temple, no opinion in respect of this temple is recorded.

(iii) That the Dharmadarsis of the Siddalingpur temple are of opinio that the proposal to convert the inam village into Sirkar may be accepted.

The Deputy Commissioner opines that he does not agree with the Dharmadarsis of the Chamarajnagar temple as they have not -- understood the difficulties of management and that the only other alternative is to apply to the endowed villages, which will be perpetually under Government management, the Land Revenue Code fully by a suitable amendment of the Law.

9. The Superintendent of Revenue Survey and Settlements who was consulted in the matter states that " the confirmation of land -- "inams in these case is in accordance with the terms of the sannad "which do not seem to contemplate a grant other than that of land"

As these temples are in the enjoyment of whole inam villages, it is not desirable to deprive them of their possession as stated in para 4 supra.

10. The file of vernacular papers is enclosed for reference and kind return.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Muzrai Commissioner.

Conversion of temple inams to Sircar and grant of cash inams.

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Deputy Commissioner, Hassan Dist. States that by the proposed -- change the financial burden on the -- state funds would be very great, that the proper conduct of puja in the -- temples and timely repairs to the -- buildings by pujaris and others ----- cannot be insisted upon and that the change need not be introduced as a universal measure affecting all ---- institutions but it may be tried in a few cases where it has been found -- difficult to administer the inam -- lands.

Opines that so far as Hassan -- District is concerned, he is not for converting the land inams into cash grants.

Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur Dist. States that he is not in favour of the proposal, as land inams are a more assured source of income and are better appreciated than cash inams.

Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug Dist. States that no change is called for in the existing system as the -- proposal would involve a good deal - of extra work and also additional -- expenditure to Government if adequate cash grants are to be made to the -- institutions concerned.

Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dist. States that the conversion of inam lands into Sircar may be done where-ever the temple is entitled -- only to the rent - which could be --

converted

converted into a cash grant but ----
where the temple is getting produce
and not a rent, such conversion is not
feasible.

States that though the proposed conversion would render the management of the institutions easy yet it is not the only or main consideration - in the settlement of the question and that, as cash grants could only be on the basis of the Jari amount of the land endowments and as this jari --- amount would in the largest number of cases be lower than the value of -- migate (either in cash or kind) --- which would not be sufficient for the performance of all the customary --- sevas, it is not desirable to sanction the proposal. — Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga Dist.

States that though the proposal may not materially effect the major Institutions on account of the smallness of their number, yet it will --- certainly militate against the proper working of the minor institutions and eventually lead to the abandonment of most of them as the servants of ~~these~~ institutions are attracted more by inam lands than cash payments and that he is of opinion that no modification -- in the present system is called for. — Deputy Commissioner, Kolar Dist.

States that ar under the present system the lands are nominally in the name of the institutions, as in the income in most cases is insufficient to meet the cost of ordinary worship — Deputy Commissioner, Kadur Dist.

worship and as proper bids for temple lands are not secured, all the devadaya inam lands of the major and minor ---- institutions may be converted into --- Sirkar, the cash grant being fixed -- according to the importance of the --- institutions concerned.

Survey Superintendent in Mysore.

States that converting the lands into Sirkar is beset with practical -- difficulties as it will seriously ----- interfere with vested interests, that the call on the financial resources of Government will be heavy in as much as Rs.3,18,500/- will have to be spent by way of cash grants, that the object in allowing commutation of Malnad cash -- inams into land inams was to reduce the demand on Government Treasury and to promote cultivation land and that he is therefore of opinion that the proposal is neither feasible nor advisable.

As regards the three temples ---- mentioned by the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, the Superintendent - states that the confirmation of land inams in those cases is in accordance with the terms of the sannad which do not seem to contemplate a grant other than that of land.

For Muzrai Commissioner.

Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

G. O. No. 1252-3—Muz. 179-26-4, dated 2nd February 1928.

Conversion of Land Inams into Cash Grants.

States that no general order can be passed regarding the —— and that each case will be considered on its merits.

READ—

Correspondence ending with letter No. C. 920, dated the 9th December 1927, from the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore, on the subject of the conversion of temple Inam lands to Sirkar lands by the grant of cash grants.

ORDER No. 1252-3—MUZ. 179-26-4, DATED 2ND FEBRUARY 1928.

The question of converting all land Inam into cash was proposed for consideration at the meeting of Deputy Commissioners and Heads of Departments held in October 1926. As the subject was of considerable importance, the Officers concerned were requested to examine it in detail with reference to the conditions in the several districts and forward their opinion. The majority of the Deputy Commissioner consider such conversion undesirable. The Muzrai Commissioner is of opinion that such conversion should not, as a general rule, be permitted, but might be considered in particular cases where the circumstances make it desirable. The Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Settlements in Mysore holds that the measure is neither feasible nor desirable and that if undertaken, may involve additional expenditure to be borne by Government.

2. Government agree that as a general measure, conversion of land Inams into cash grants is not likely to be altogether beneficial either to Government or to the Institutions concerned. It will not be easy to fix, as a general arrangement, the cash grants to be allowed in lieu of the Inam lands resumed. Cash grants would be fixed for all time while the institutions if left in the enjoyment of land Inams, might expect to cover increase of expenditure from enhanced prices of produce or larger rents Sentiment is also involved in the consideration of this question and the measure is not also likely to be popular. In view of these facts the idea of making any innovation in the existing system will be abandoned.

3. Where however in the circumstances of particular cases, the replacement of land Inams by cash grants is considered desirable, the conversion may as suggested by the Muzrai Commissioner be proposed and cases of this kind submitted for the orders of Government.

4. The Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore suggests also that the present rule fixing the period of lease of temple Inam lands at five years and in special cases at 10 years may be relaxed in cases in which it is found that leasing for a longer period will fetch higher rent as in the case of garden lands in the Malnad. This suggestion is approved. Cases in which the period of lease exceeds ten years may be submitted for orders of Government, those for periods up to ten years being sanctioned by the Muzrai Commissioner.

For Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.

To—The Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore, returning enclosures.
The Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Settlements in Mysore.

Exd.—P. S. R.N.

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Serial No. 6.

No. 1411

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To

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General and Revenue Secretariat

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Sir,

Date of issue 3-2-28

Signed by Mr. Venkatesa

Adverting to your Letter noted in the margin regarding The replacement of land in lieu of certain inam items by cash grants, and also the Govt in favour of new or old temp of lapsed grants of Defence items etc, I am directed to invite reference to this office letter no 1145 - Inam. 17 dt 18-12-1926, and to agree that the proposals were called for on the general

over

no c 1179/25-26 dt 15.11.26

c 321/26-27 dt 22-12-26.

c. 775/26-27 dt 19.1.27.

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